









**VIII. *The Extract of a Letter from Mr. Petto, a Grave Divine, Concerning some Parelii seen at Sudbury in Suffolk, Decemb. 28th, 1698. Communicated by Dr. Beverley.***

**O**N *August* 28. 1698. being the Lord's-Day, about Eight a Clock in the Morning, some Persons saw the Appearance of Three Suns; 'tis said, then the Apparition was most full, or a little after. There is really but one true Sun, the Reflection of its Beams cause such Images, as if they were Suns: About half an Hour after Eight of the Clock, I myself saw this; There was in the East, a dark, dusky, watry Cloud in the Form above described; where these Lines are, and below it towards the middle, was the true Sun, shining with fierce and piercing Beams, that Persons could not look upon it; on each side were the Reflections with the true Sun in the middle, as you have it in *Figure 1.* Elsewhere much of the Firmament was of an Azure, Light, Blew Colour. The Circles which I saw, was not of Rainbow Colours, but white: There was also, higher in the Firmament, more over our Heads, and towards the South, at the same time, at a considerable distance from the other, the form of a half Moon; but I think it was more then twice the bigness of a half Moon, with the Horns turned upward, and within of a fiery red Colour, and more like

like a Rain-bow Colour : These all faded gradually ; They continued in all, I suppose, two Hours : There were very many Spectators.

*The Moon was then about Two Days old , and might well enough be seen ( in the day time ) in such a Posture as is described.*

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